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Hon Pat Miller  
Chairman  
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Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505

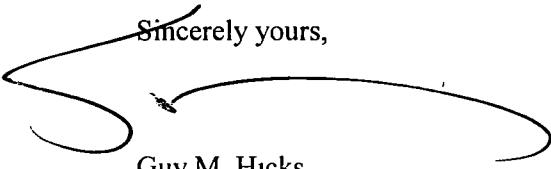
Re: *Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.*  
Docket No. D4-00-361

Dear Chairman Miller:

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc. and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. are hereby submitting to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority the original and fourteen copies of the attached Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated June 17, 2002. The Amendment adds rates for On/Off Premises Extensions, adds language to waive adoption rights and modifies the Local Portability recovery charge

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

  
Guy M. Hicks

cc Vice President, National Contract & Carrier Management, MCI WorldCom, Inc.  
Vice President & Chief Network Counsel, WorldCom, Inc.  
Senior Manager, Carrier Agreements, MCI WorldCom, Inc.  
Commercial Counsel, MCI WorldCom, Inc.

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY  
Nashville, Tennessee

In re: *Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc and MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*

Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_

**PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF THE  
AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT  
NEGOTIATED BETWEEN BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.  
AND MCI WORLD.COM COMMUNICATIONS, INC.  
PURSUANT TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996**

COME NOW, MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc. ("MCI WorldCom") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., ("BellSouth"), and file this request for approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated June 17, 2002 (the "Amendment") negotiated between the two companies pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, (the "Act"). In support of their request, MCI WorldCom and BellSouth state the following:

1. MCI WorldCom and BellSouth have successfully negotiated an agreement for interconnection of their networks, the unbundling of specific network elements offered by BellSouth and the resale of BellSouth's telecommunications services to MCI WorldCom. The Interconnection Agreement was approved by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") on August 19, 2002.

2. The parties have recently negotiated an Amendment to the Agreement. The Amendment adds rates for On/Off Premises Extensions, adds language to waive adoption rights and modifies the Local Portability recovery charge. A copy of the Amendment is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

3. Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, MCI WorldCom and BellSouth are submitting their Amendment to the TRA for its consideration and approval. The Amendment provides that either or both of the parties are authorized to submit these Amendments to the TRA for approval.

4. In accordance with Section 252(e) of the Act, the TRA is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated Amendment between BellSouth and MCI WorldCom within 90 days of its submission. The Act provides that the TRA may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

5. MCI WorldCom and BellSouth aver that the Amendment is consistent with the standards for approval.

6. Pursuant to 47 USC Section 252(i) and 47 C.F.R. Section 51.809, BellSouth shall make available the entire Interconnection Agreement approved pursuant to 47 USC Section 252.

MCI WorldCom and BellSouth respectfully request that the TRA approve the Amendment negotiated between the parties.

This 20 day of OCT, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Guy M. Hicks, hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Petition for Approval of the Amendments to the Interconnection Agreement on the following via United States Mail on the 20 day of OCT, 2004.

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Alpharetta, GA 30022  
Attn: Vice President, National Contract & Carrier Management

Vice President & Chief Network Counsel  
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Guy M. Hicks

**Amendment to the Agreement  
Between  
MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc.  
and  
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.  
Dated June 17, 2002**

Pursuant to this Amendment, (the "Amendment"), MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc (MCIm), and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc ("BellSouth"), hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties," hereby agree to amend that certain Tennessee Interconnection Agreement between the Parties dated June 17, 2002 ("Agreement") to be effective thirty (30) calendar days after the date of the last signature executing the Amendment.

WHEREAS, BellSouth and MCIm entered into the Agreement on June 17, 2002, and,

WHEREAS, BellSouth and MCIm desire to amend the Agreement to add additional rates, terms and conditions,

WHEREAS, BellSouth and MCIm are amending the Agreement to modify the Local Number Portability (LNP) recovery charge pursuant to the Order in the matter of the Telephone Number Portability BellSouth Corporation Petition for Declaratory Ruling and/or Waiver, CC Docket No 95-116, released April 13, 2004;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual provisions contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby covenant and agree as follows

- 1 The Parties agree to add to the rates in Table 1 of Attachment 1, the rates set forth in Exhibit 1 of this Amendment, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference
- 2 The Parties agree to add the following language to Attachment 3 as Section 5.7.5.9:

5 7 5 9 On/Off Premises Extensions and Different Premises Addresses working with 2-wire voice grade port, voice grade Loop, unbundled end office switching, unbundled end office trunk port, common transport per mile per MOU, common transport facilities termination, tandem switching, and tandem trunk port.

- 3 The Parties agree to add to the rates in Table 1 of Attachment 1, the rates set forth in Exhibit 2 of this Amendment, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 4 The Parties agree Section 2 5 1 of Part A of the General Terms and Conditions is created to read:

2 5 1 MCIm shall waive its right pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Act to adopt language from any other interconnection agreement filed and approved by any state public service commission that would effectively replace, supersede or conflict with the language to which the parties have agreed as set

forth in the Percent Local Facility ("PLF") Factor, Reciprocal Compensation and Transit Traffic Amendment effective September 1, 2003 To the extent that MCIm requests adoption of any other such interconnection agreement pursuant to the Section 252(i) of the Act, the Parties shall modify the adopted agreement to delete the language in such agreement pertaining to the language expressly agreed upon in the PLF Factor, Reciprocal Compensation and Transit Traffic Amendment and to incorporate the language set forth in the PLF Factor, Reciprocal Compensation and Transit Traffic Amendment

5. The Parties agree to delete in their entirety all rate elements and USOCs identified as "Local Number Portability charges" in Table 1 of Attachment 1, as specified by the following USOCs. LNPCX, LNCP, LNPCN, and LNPCC
6. The Parties agree to add the following language as Sections 5.7.2 and 7.8 of Attachment 3:

5.7.2 (and 7.8) MCIm shall pay to BellSouth the Local Number Portability charges as set forth in Section 13 of the BellSouth FCC No 1 Tariff

7. All of the other provisions of the Agreement, dated June 17, 2002, shall remain in full force and effect
8. Either or both of the Parties are authorized to submit this Amendment to the respective state regulatory authorities for approval subject to Section 252(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996

Signature Page

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement the day and year written below

**BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.**

By: Kristen E. Rowe  
Name: KRISTEN E. ROWE  
Title: DIRECTOR  
Date: 8/1/04

**MCI WorldCom Communications,  
Inc.**

By: Michael Beach  
Name: Michael Beach  
Title: Vice President, Carrier  
Management  
Date: 8/24/04

UNBUNDLED NETWORK ELEMENTS: Tennessee

**UNBUNDLED NETWORK ELEMENTS - Tennessee**

CATEGORY	RATE ELEMENTS	Interim Zone	BCS	USOC		RATES (\$)	Nonrecurring		Nonrecurring Disconnect		Attachment 1	Table 1
							Rec	First	Add'l	First		
<b>UNBUNDLED PORT/LOOP COMBINATIONS - COST BASED RATES</b>												
2-WIRE VOICE GRADE LOOP WITH 2-WIRE LINE PORT (RES)												
<b>OFF/ON PREMISES EXTENSION CHANNELS</b>												
2 Wire Analog Voice Grade Extension Loop - Non-Design	1	UEPRX	UEAEN	13.19	31.99	20.02	10.65	1.41		20.35	10.54	13.32
2 Wire Analog Voice Grade Extension Loop - Non-Design	2	UEPRX	UEAEN	17.23	31.99	20.02	10.65	1.41		20.35	10.54	13.32
2 Wire Analog Voice Grade Extension Loop - Non-Design	3	UEPRX	UEAEN	22.53	31.99	20.02	10.65	1.41		20.35	10.54	13.32
2 Wire Analog Voice Grade Extension Loop - Design	1	UEPRX	UEAED	16.56	75.06	48.20	28.70	17.64		20.35	10.54	13.32
2 Wire Analog Voice Grade Extension Loop - Design	2	UEPRX	UEAED	21.63	75.06	48.20	28.70	17.64		20.35	10.54	13.32
2 Wire Analog Voice Grade Extension Loop - Design	3	UEPRX	UEAED	28.28	75.06	48.20	28.70	17.64		20.35	10.54	13.32
<b>INTEROFFICE TRANSPORT</b>												
Interoffice Transport - Dedicated -2 Wire Voice Grade - Facility Termination		UEPRX	UITV2	18.58	55.39	17.37	27.96	3.51				
Interoffice Transport - Dedicated -2 Wire Voice Grade - Per Mile or Fraction Mile		UEPRX	UITVM	0.02	0.00	0.00						
2-WIRE VOICE GRADE LOOP WITH 2-WIRE LINE PORT (BUS)												
<b>OFF/ON PREMISES EXTENSION CHANNELS</b>												
2 Wire Analog Voice Grade Extension Loop - Non-Design	1	UEPBX	UEAEN	13.19	31.99	20.02	10.65	1.41		20.35	10.54	13.32
2 Wire Analog Voice Grade Extension Loop - Non-Design	2	UEPBX	UEAEN	17.23	31.99	20.02	10.65	1.41		20.35	10.54	13.32
2 Wire Analog Voice Grade Extension Loop - Non-Design	3	UEPBX	UEAEN	22.53	31.99	20.02	10.65	1.41		20.35	10.54	13.32
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<b>INTEROFFICE TRANSPORT</b>												
Interoffice Transport - Dedicated -2 Wire Voice Grade - Facility Termination		UEPBX	UITV2	18.58	55.39	17.37	27.96	3.51				
Interoffice Transport - Dedicated -2 Wire Voice Grade - Per Mile or Fraction Mile		UEPBX	UITVM	0.01	0.00	0.00						
2-WIRE VOICE GRADE LOOP WITH 2-WIRE LINE PORT (RES - PBX)												
<b>OFF/ON PREMISES EXTENSION CHANNELS</b>												
Local Channel Voice grade, per termination	1	UEPRG	P2JH-X	16.56	75.06	48.20	28.70	17.64		20.35	10.54	13.32
Local Channel Voice grade, per termination	2	UEPRG	P2JH-X	21.63	75.06	48.20	28.70	17.64		20.35	10.54	13.32
Local Channel Voice grade, per termination	3	UEPRG	P2JH-X	28.28	75.06	48.20	28.70	17.64		20.35	10.54	13.32
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Interoffice Transport - Dedicated -2 Wire Voice Grade - Per Mile or Fraction Mile		UEPRG	UITVM	0.01	0.00	0.00						
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**UNBUNDLED NETWORK ELEMENTS - Tennessee**

CATEGORY	RATE ELEMENTS	Intern'l Zone	BCS	USOC	RATES (\$)	Nonrecurring				Nonrecurring Disconnect				Attachment I OSS Rate(s)
						First	Add'l	First	Add'l	Svc Order Submitted Manually per LSR	Manu Svc Order vs Electronic- Disc Add'l	Incremental Charge - Manual Svc Order vs Electronic- Disc Add'l	Incremental Charge - Manual Svc Order vs Electronic- Disc Add'l	
	Interoffice Transport - Dedicated - 2 Wire Voice (Grade - Per Mile or Fraction Mile)		UEPPX	U1TVM	0.01	0.00	0.00							SOMAN
	<b>UNBUNDLED PORT/LOOP COMBINATIONS - MARKET RATES</b>													SOMAN
	<b>2-WIRE VOICE GRADE LOOP WITH 2-WIRE LINE PORT (RES)</b>													
	<b>OFF-ON PREMISES EXTENSION CHANNELS</b>													
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	<b>INTEROFFICE TRANSPORT</b>													
	Interoffice Transport - Dedicated - 2 Wire Voice (Grade - Per Mile or Fraction Mile)		UEPRX	U1TV2	\$18.58	\$55.39	\$17.37	\$27.96	\$3.51					
	Interoffice Transport - Dedicated - 2 Wire Voice (Grade - Per Mile or Fraction Mile)		UEPRX	U1TVM	\$0.02	\$0.00	\$0.00							
	<b>2-WIRE VOICE GRADE LOOP WITH 2-WIRE LINE PORT (BUS)</b>													
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	<b>INTEROFFICE TRANSPORT</b>													
	Interoffice Transport - Dedicated - 2 Wire Voice Grade Facility Termination		UEPBX	U1TV2	18.58	55.39	17.37	27.96	3.51					
	Interoffice Transport - Dedicated - 2 Wire Voice Grade - Per Mile or Fraction Mile		UEPBX	U1TVM	0.01	0	0							
	<b>2-WIRE VOICE GRADE LOOP WITH 2-WIRE LINE PORT (RES - PBX)</b>													
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	Interoffice Transport - Dedicated - 2 Wire Voice Grade - Per Mile or Fraction Mile		UEPRG	U1TVM	0.01	0	0							
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							Rec		First	Add'l	SOMC	SOMAN	SOMAN	SOMAN
	Interoffice Transport - Dedicated - 2 Wire Voice Grade - Per Mile or Fraction Mile		UEPPX	UTVM	0.01	0	0							

Table 1									
Attachment I		Incremental Charge - Manual Svc Order vs Electronic- Disc Add'l		Incremental Charge - Manual Svc Order vs Electronic- Disc 1st		Incremental Charge - Manual Svc Order vs Electronic- Disc Add'l		Incremental Charge - Manual Svc Order vs Electronic- Disc 1st	
Svc Order Submitted	Svc Order Submitted	Manually per LSR	Manually per LSR	Manually per LSR	Manually per LSR	Manually per LSR	Manually per LSR	Manually per LSR	Manually per LSR